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CRAIN'S WIDOW ASKS FOR HER PORTION.

The Port au Prince Promoter's Fortune Is in His Relatives' Hands.

Left Her Haytian Home When a Colored Boy Was Adopted by Her Husband.

Charges Are Now Made That the Dying Man Was Misled Into Signing Big Checks.

HIS MARRIAGE IS NOT ADMITTED.

Mrs. Warren, Sister of the Deceased, Is Now Administratrix and is Fighting to Keep the Property-What Her Nephews Say.

Cooperstown, N. Y., Feb. 14.-The legal battle over the estate of Richard I Crain, of Port an Prince, Hayti, which is now being waged before the Surrogate Arnold of Otsego County, has disclosed a strange drama of real life notwithstanding the strenuous efforts made to keep the evidence

Mrs. Richard I. Crain is endeavoring to have Mrs. Charlotte R. Warren, the sister of the deceased, removed as administratrix. The Crain family is a prominent one in this State. It has furnished a Judge of the Court of Appeals, a President of the Senate, legislators, jurists and eminent physicians. T. C. T. Crain once Chamber lain in New York City, is a nephew of the

Richard I. Crain was one of the best known surface railroad men in the coun try. For a number of years hewas Super-intendent of the Tenth and Christopher street crosstown line, in New York. Be fore that he had been superintendent of the street rallway system of the South Side of Chicago. About the year 1880, he went to Port an Prince in the interest of an American company, who built the Port an Prince tramway. He superintended the building of that line and became manager of it. When he finished the enterprise the company sold him more than the value of its property, which he soon owned.

Admiral Luce His Gnest.

During the Heppobyte-Legitime war on Crain's street railway plant and the telephone line which he built, were destroyed by the natives. A damage suit for a large sum was instituted against the Government, and Mr. Crain is said to have recovered about \$65,000. For fifteen year he was the most prominent American resi-

In 1882 he made a short visit to this country and married Mrs. Nellie Culver Bedford, of Cherry Valley, N. Y. The only wit-

house in New York city, and a number of reports that the old gentleman was getting better—D. Jones Crain, another brother, filled out a check for \$5,300 to the order of still another brother, Dr. Baker Crain, and that this check was then presented by the latter to the dying man for signature.

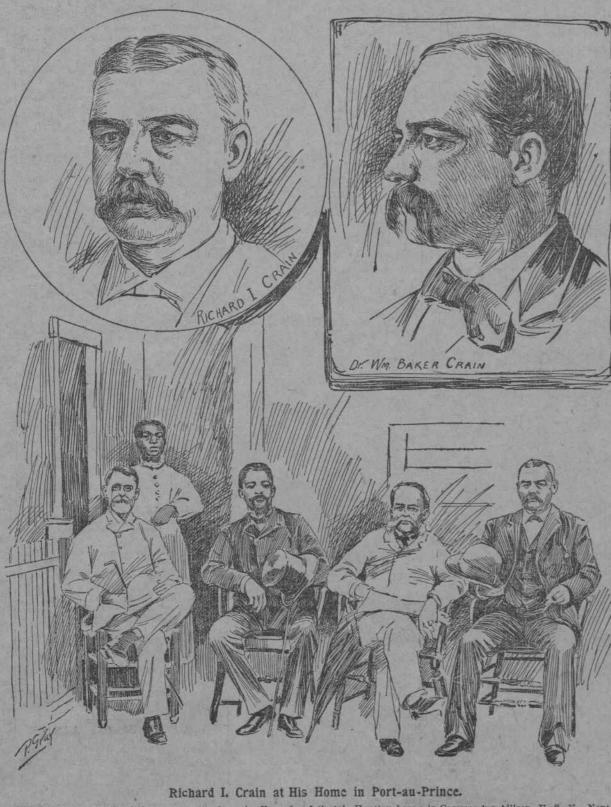
The check, they say, was then presented to the First National Bank of Richfield, and to the First National Bank of Richfield, and the money given to Mrs. Warren, Richard I. Crain, the widow, is a fine-looking woman of about thirty-five of him. It is also charged that Dr. Baker Crain, the was dressed in deep black when seen yesterday in her apart-

Crain had obtained possession of the draft black when seen yesterday in her apartfor \$1,500 from Port au Prince, and had ments at No. 200 West Twenty-first street. then indorsed, also for Mrs. Warren. It is slieged that the dying man was told that the papers were checks for current expenses, Crain on an Atlas Line steamer by Captain and that, supposing he was paying his board Hughes in 1882. The steward and steward-

protested, and said that she, as Mr. Crain's agreement.

wife, ought to have charge of his effects.

"Madam," Dr. Baker Crain is declared to it would be ruinous to my reputation to go.



The figure on the left of the group seat ed on the Veranda of Crain's Haytian home is Commander Allison, U. S. N. Next to dent of Port an Prince. He kept open him is United States Consul-General and Minister Resident Thompson. The next personage is Admiral Luce, U. S. N., while the house and entertained til visitors to the Island, including Admiral Luce.

Island, including Admiral Luce.

Crain adopted. The drawing is made from a photograph taken at Port-au-Prince. Crai n's fortune is now being fought for in Otton 1882 he made a short visit to this countries. sego County by his wife, who wants his relatives to give it up.

Entire May Note City

In May, 1868, having converted most of the saft Twentpeatful street. New York. To make Twentpeatful street. New Y

bill at the hore and the wages of his nurse, he signed them.

The Widow Protested.

As soon as Mrs. Richard I. Clain heard of the death of her husband, she hurried up to Richfield Springs. She went to Dr. Baker Crain, as he had been with her husband at the last, and asked what had become of the estate.

As soon as Mrs. Richard I. Clain heard of the disparity between our ages too great. His nephew, Willam C. Crain, had married my sister. Some years elapsed before I saw Richard Crain again.

"I met him at my sister's, and he interested me in his plan to establish a relation of the rested me in his plan to establish a relation.

"I know nothing at all about it," is said ested me in his plan to establish a tele-phone system in the West Indies, in the to have been his answer. That set Mrs. public buildings and palaces and private Crain to thinking, especially as she had houses. I understood telegraphy and teleheard something about large sums of money phones, and he proposed that I go out with having been withdrawn from the bank.

When she learned, later on, that letters of the system. I said I would go only as his administration on her husband's estate had wife, and we were soon afterward married been issued to his sister, Mrs. Warren, she in my brother-in-law's house by murual

try and married Mrs. Nellie Cuiver Bedford, of Cherry Valley, N. Y. The only witness at the wedding was his nephew, Williess Mrs. Warren will withdraw in your favor."

He did not introduce his wife to his relatives at Richnield Springs, nor was any notice of the marriage published. Soon after this, with his bride, he returned to Hayti.

Mrs. Crain Left Her Husband.

Their married life was apparently a very happy one until eight years ago, when the colored cook employed by the Crains gave

colored cook employed by the Crains gave It was Mr. Crain's wish that Henry be the United States and have ever since lived trying to o birth to a boy, which Crain adopted. Mrs. sent to South Bend, Ind., to school."

With my mother. He sent me money from wildow out o birth to a boy, which Crain adopted. Mrs.
Crain at once left her busband and returned to this country. She has since been living in New York City.

In May 1801 and 1802 and 1803 and 1

It is declared by Dr. Alfred Crain and his brother William that a day or two before their uncle Richard's death, on October 27.

Her husband's nephew, William C. Crain, them, supposing they would be filled out for small amounts. I have learned that the highest testified that he had been present at the civil ceremony, which was held in his own house in New York city, and a number of reports that the old gentleman was getting.

JOHN JACOB ASTOR'S MAIDEN SPEECH.

Delivered at the Press Club Banquet, Which Was Held on Thursday Evening at Delmonieo's.

Mr. President and Members of the Press Club.

I thank you very much for the great honor which you have conferred upon me this evening by asking me, as a member of Governor Morton's staff, to respond in his behalf. Governor Morton regrets very much that, owing to the death of his partner for so many years and life-long friend, Mr. George Bliss, it is impossible for him to be present this evening.

He assured me that it would have afforded him great pleasure to have been with you on this occasion. In his behalf, permit me to extend his heartfelt thanks for this courtesy extended to me as his representative. Permit me, too, to express my heartiest wishes that the club may have all the success and prosperity that it so richly deserves.

NEVER SAID THE DUCHESS WAS CRAZY.

Mrs. Sweeney Testifies in the Contest Over the De Castellucia Estate.

Duchess Was Foolish for Marrying Dwyer.

JENNY UNGARO WAS IN COURT.

The Marquise de Caldesazzi, Who Was Cut Off with \$2,000 a Year, Listens to Recitals of Her Grandmother's Woes.

Jenny Ungaro, the Marquise de Calderazd, the granddaughter whom the Duchess cut off with \$2,000 a year, was the most conspicuous person in the court-room. She was stylishly dressed in a Parisian gown, and wore a big white butterfly bow at the back of her collar. She was accompanied by an almost equally pretty young woman of Italian features.

"MADAM" LIKED MARY.

Mary R. Sweeney, the first subscribing witness to the will offered for probate, and who had also signed the three prior wills executed by the Duchess, was the only witness called during the day. She is the housekeeper of the Burlington. The witness called during the day. She is the housekeeper of the Burlington. The witness and "Madam," as she called the Duchess, was very much attached to her and didn't want her to leave the establishment even after she (the witness) had married. She swore she didn't know what was in any of the wills until she read the contents of the last will in the Journal.

The Duchess once told her, she said, that the she intended to leave her entire fortune to her own flesh and blood. Madam thought she was going to die after her return from Florida, so she gave to the Marquise de light of the subspilled. REBUKED BY THE PRESIDENT.

she was going to die after her return from Florida, so she gave to the Marquise de Calderazzi a miniature of the Marquise's mother. Later, when the Duchess recovered, she took the miniature back, saying criminate Calls for Reports. that she wished to wear it herself as long

Mrs. Sweeney said the Duchess suffered terribly from dropsy. Madame's body was frightfully swollen, and Manager Coles vainly searched the metropolis for a chair that should be sufficiently comfortable for her. The Duchess was obliged to sit sideways in a large chair specially made for her, and it was all she could do to squeeze through the door of her room.

AFFLICTED WITH DROPSY. Her feet were once very small and beautiful, and she took great pride in them; after she got dropsy they were swollen to such an enormous size that she could

The case was adjourned to February 25.

SENATORS IN A WRANGLE. The Democrats Finally Managed to Secure SENATE TO ACT ON a Member of the Military Committee.

Albany, N. Y., Feb. 14.-When the Senate met this morning Senator Cantor demanded that the journal be read through.

The reading was begun, and the Senator

Mr. Wray Desired Immediate sald that in order to save time he would ask that only the parts of the journal covering the points of order made yesterday be read. Senator Cantor moved She Merely Remarked That the would show that Senator Grady was recorded as asking for a reading of Senator Mullin's military law amendment bill before the final vote was ordered and the

President refused. Senator Cantor declared that the in- NO USE TO WAIT UNTIL SUMMER. tention of his motion was to have the occurrence stated as it had happened. Senator Grady relterated his statements That Was One of Senator McCarren's made yesterday that he had asked for the reading of the Mullin bill before the roll call was ordered. Senators Brush, Burns, and Malby said their recollection

Jenny Ungaro, the Marquise de Calder-azzi, the granddaughter whom the Duchess cut off with \$2,000 a year was the

criminate Calls for Reports.

Washington, Feb. 14.-The President to. said sarcastically: to transmit to the Senate a copy of the report and accompanying documents of a special agent of the United States sent avoid it. to the Fiji Islands to investigate the claims of B. H. Henry, of Oregon, and other American citizens, for compensation for lands alleged to have been owned by them in said islands and claimed to example the constitution of the propositions under consideration. When the time comes I may have cometing to say about them. I simply our contents to say about them.

have been appropriated by the British government.

In complying in part with the request the President, through Secretary Olney, takes occasion to administer a rebuke to Congress for these indiscriminate calls. He refers to the fact that to comply with the Senate resolution, so far as it relates to accompanying documents, would involve the copying of 1,117 foolscap pages of written matter, and 163 pages of printed matter. In addition, the documents called for comprise forty-four maps and four British blue books, 852 pages folio in all, two of which, at least, cannot be supplied by the department, nor probably be obtained by purchase. It is obvious that months must elapse before such an addition to its ordinary work can be accomplished by the limited and already over-worked clerical force of this department.

"Blind Bill" Indicted for Murder.

William Kenny, known as "Blind Blit," as in his wisdo found necessary.

COAL MONDAY NIGHT.

Consideration, but Yielded to Objections.

Conspicuous in Deferring a Debate and a Vote.

Sarcastic Interjections-Anti-Trust Resolutions Were Made a Special Order.

Surrogate Arnold continued yesterday his hearing of the contest over the estate of the Duchess de Castellucia, as she was generally known, or Mrs. Dwyer, as she became shortly before her death in the Burlington apartment-house, which is now the biggest bone of contention.

Burns, and Malby said their reconcection was ordered before Senator Grady spoke. The motion of Senator Cantor was lost, 24 to 8, a party vote.

Senator Grady moved that the journal be corrected so that it state that the third the biggest bone of contention.

Albany, N. Y., Feb. 14.—The Journal's efforts to secure relief for the masses who are suffering under the increased price of coal dictated by the Morgan Trust will be defore the Senate on Monday night. Three pending resolutions will be discussed, and

seems to me that it would be a wise thing REBUKED BY THE PRESIDENT. to dispose of them in some shape this

morning." BETTER NOT WAIT UNTIL SUMMER. Senator McCarren, in bis deliberate way,

"I desire to suggest that if we are to do day sent to the Senate a report requested by a resolution of January 7, introduced anything about the cheapening of coal we by Mr. Mitchell, of Oregon, asking him would better do it at once and not wait until

have been appropriated by the British something to say about them. I simply suggovernment.

act now on the statute books will cover the case, and if not to suggest such amendment as in his wisdom or experience may be

absent, and they evidently went away under the impression that an important matter of this kind would not be moved today. I desire that the matter be made a special order for Monday night." Mr. Wray agreed to this suggestion

"Why not Tuesday morning?" asked Mr. "I think it would be wiser to dispose of

them Monday night," began Mr. Wray. "I am not pleading for delay in the sense of delay," Interrupted Mr. Grady, "but It seems to me that they should be delayed. On Tuesday, immediately after the reading of the journal, all the Senators will be in their seats. The fact that I expect to be in Troy on Monday evening is not the cause for my suggestion."

The Senate determined to consider the resolutions on Monday night.

Bicycle "Cops" for Jersey City. Jersey City will soon have a corps of bi-cycle "cops," if Sergeant Battersby, of the Third Precinct, the crack rider of the department, can influence the Police Commissioners. The matter may come up at the next meeting of the Board. Chief of Police Murphy, it is said, is in favor of forming the corps. Sergeant Battersby has made several clever arrests while mounted on his wheel.

300 Columns 3 Cents and a magnificent colored supple-

Jenny Ungaro, the Marquise de Calderazzi. She was a slient witness in the proceedings before Surrogate Arnold yesterday, to ment, the finest ever given with a set aside the will of her grandmother, Mrs. Dwyer, who was formerly the Duchess newspaper. Don't miss the Great de Castellucia. In the last will and testament of Mrs. Dwyer, she cut off the Marquise with only \$2,000 a year. Mrs. Sweeney, an old servant in the family, was the principal with only \$2,000 a year. Mrs. Sweeney, an old servant in the family, was the principal witness yesterday, and spoke in glowing terms of her former mistress.